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Spy Conviction Upheld, But Attorney Hopeful

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The decision to uphold the conviction of accused spy William Kampiles by the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals Thursday has not halted action on the part of Kampiles' attorney to vindicate his client.

Although all nine points of the appeal were rejected by the three-judge panel, attorney Michael Monico indicated yesterday that he will file a petition for an appeal review before the entire 7th Circuit, but will also file a motion in federal court in Hammond for a new trial.

Kampiles, convicted one year ago today in Hammond before U.S. Judge Phil McNagny, remains locked up at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Chicago, where he has been since his arrest Aug. 17, 1978.

"We may state all nine points again," Monico stated. "We're going to raise the same issues before the whole (appeal) panel."

The nine points dealt with the sufficiency of government evidence, the adequacy of the court's handling of pre-trial publicity, the district court's treatment of the Kampiles' confession, Monico's allegation that Kampiles was coerced into confessing by FBI agents and the court's refusal to grant the defense an hour's continuance to call a witness in from Chicago.

The 29-page opinion of the appeals court went into all nine points raised by Monico, but the attorney indicated yesterday he has another plan of attack for a retrial motion.

According to Monico, he plans to introduce evidence linking two men con-

victed of espionage in California in early 1977 to the leaking of the same information Kampiles was convicted of selling in February and March of 1978.

Monico cited the April 29, 1979 edition of The New York Times as providing sketchy information about convicted spies Andrew Lee and Christopher Boyce which alleged, Monico said, "a year before Kampiles sold the documents, the Soviets had information about our photo satellite system."

"Exactly what they (Lee and Boyce) had, I don't know," Monico admitted, "but the article said that among the hundreds of documents sold by Boyce and Lee were plans for the KH-11."

It is the technical manual for the KH-11 orbiting surveillance satellite that Kampiles was convicted of selling on a vacation to Greece. He received \$3,000 from Soviet agent Michael Zavali for the booklet, and the information compromised the U.S. space technology and jeopardized the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT) II talks, according to the CIA.

As a former CIA employee, Kampiles had access to the KH-11 manual every day in his job, and was convicted of taking the document before leaving the agency in November, 1977. He had only worked for the agency for eight months, and was allegedly having some problems with his job.

However, Monico is also disputing the CIA contention that the sale of the document actually compromised any U.S. security or put the SALT negotiations in jeopardy. "We have

statements from Department of Defense people who were at the SALT II talks that seem to contradict the statements of the CIA on the effects of the alleged compromise," Monico said.

Monico added the motion will be filed for the new trial before McNagny as well as the appeal review petition in the 7th Circuit within the month.

Kampiles, 24, graduated from Chicago's Washington High School, 114th and Avenue O, in 1972 and from Indiana University in 1975. He moved to an apartment at 7645 Hohman Ave., Munster, in mid-1978. He was arrested at the apartment six weeks after moving in with Perry Felecos, a Munster police officer and lifelong friend.

Kampiles' mother, Nicoletta, still lives in Hegewisch at 13558 Burley Ave.

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